GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6369
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CONSTITUTION OF WATER DISPUTES TRIBUNALS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has directed the State Governments to constitute Inter-State Water disputes tribunals and prescribe time limit for tribunals to give their awards; and

(b) if so, the response of State Governments thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES(SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) & (b) As per the Inter-State River Water Disputes

(ISRWD) Act, 1956, the Union Government is required to constitute a water disputes tribunal after receipt of a request from the basin State/States to this effect and after it is satisfied that the disputes cannot be settled by negotiations. The act was amended in the year 2002 whereby adjudication of the water disputes by the Tribunals has been made time bound.